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VIA ECF

The Honorable Sarah Netburn S.D.N.Y. Thurgood Marshall Courthouse New York, NY 10007

Re: Lynne Freeman v. Tracy Deebs-Elkenaney et. al., 1:22 Civ 02435 (LLS)(SN)

Dear Judge Netburn:

Defendants believe the issues to be discussed at the June 2 conference are important and would welcome the opportunity to discuss them in person as ordered. If the Court is inclined to allow Plaintiff's counsel's request to appear by telephone, Defendants request that Defendants still be permitted to appear in person. We respectfully note that Plaintiff chose to file this action in New York with California counsel, recently added new California counsel (while Plaintiff's prior local counsel has withdrawn), and has requested telephonic appearances for every conference to date. Moreover, "the cost of travelling to New York" would seem to pale in comparison to the cost of retaining seven experts and filing four federal court actions.

Thank you for your time and attention to these issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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